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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



In re Application of:

TOSHIKAZU YANAI, ET AL.

Application No.: 08/994,642

Filed: December 19, 1997

For: IMAGE PICKUP DEVICE
ADAPTABLE TO DISPLAY
FEWER VERTICAL PIXELS

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P.O. Box 1450
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REQUEST FOR WITHDRAWAL OF
ERRONEOUSLY ISSUED NOTICE OF ABANDONMENT

Sir:

Applicants received a Notice of Abandonment dated October 4, 2004, indicating that the above-identified application has been abandoned because of Applicants' failure to timely file a proper reply to the Advisory Action mailed on March 11, 2004.

On March 25, 2004, Applicants timely filed a Request for Continued Examination and Petition For Extension Of Time in the Patent and Trademark Office. A copy of the RCE Transmittal, along with a copy of a postcard returned by the Patent and Trademark Office acknowledging its receipt of this paper, are enclosed.

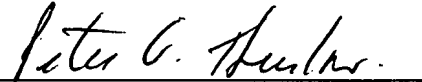
Thus, the RCE and Petition of Extension of Time was timely filed in the Patent and Trademark Office and that the present application therefore was not abandoned.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request the Commissioner to restore the above-identified application to pending status.

It is believed that no fee is required for action on this Request; for any fee that is required, please charge Deposit Account 06-1205.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York Office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Peter G. Thurlow", is written over a horizontal line.

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